GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
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FUNDS FOR COTTAGE INDUSTRIES
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a): the details of funds allocated/released for developing cottage industries during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b): whether the funds allocated/released have been fully utilized;

(c): if so, the details thereof;

(d): if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e): the present status of the cottage industry in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF MICRO,SMALL & MEDIUM ENTERPRISES(SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a) to (d) The Union Government (in the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) does not provide funds directly to the States/Union Territories (UTs) for the development of khadi and village industries including cottage industries. It provides funds to the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) for such activities and KVIC disburses the same further to its State/UT offices as per requirement. Funds provided by Government to KVIC during last three years and current year (upto November 2008) are as under:

Year	Funds released (Rs. in crore)
2005-06	558.56
2006-07	589.82
2007-08	622.99
2008-09	503.49

Funds disbursed by KVIC to its offices in the States/UTs for the development of khadi and village industries including cottage industries during last three years is given at Annex.

(e): The status of khadi and village industries including cottage industry in respect of estimated production, sales and employment in the country during 2007-08 is as under:

	Khadi	VI	Total KVI
Production	543.39	16134.32	16677.71

(Value: Rs. crore)

Sales 724.39 20819.09 21543.48

(Value: Rs. crore)

Employment 9.16 90.11 99.27

(lakh persons)